

Kris Norton Memorial Interchange

HB2263

Letter of Support

Dear Committee Members,

I'm writing this letter to express my support for the Kris Norton memorial interchange. My name is Tom Rhoads and I worked for the Kansas DOT for just over 10 years. During my time with KDOT I had the chance to work with and get to know Kris as not only a mentor, but also as a great friend.

Norton, that's what everyone that knew him called him. Never in my life have I ever come across anyone else like him - he truly was a one-of-a-kind, memorable person. As a mentor Norton helped instill in me a passion for public service - he is one of the most dedicated civil servants I've ever met and truly believed in making lives better through transportation. As a dear friend he showed me how to stay young at heart and helped me cope with the loss of my father.

There almost isn't a day that passes that I didn't think about Norton and there's no one that's more deserving of recognition for his service to the citizens of the great State of Kansas. Kris was a man of his word and always showed up when he was needed. I hope you'll honor his memory by showing up for him by supporting HB2263 to designate the Kris Norton memorial interchange.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Tom Rhoads